

**Amendments to the Claims:**

**Listing of the Claims**

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1. (Currently Amended) A slide ring seal assembly comprising

(a) a slide ring having an axially extending annular leg; said leg having radially outer and radially inner circumferential surfaces and a free axial end;

(b) a plurality of circumferentially spaced recesses provided in said leg at said free axial end thereof<sup>1</sup>; with each said recess extending from said radially outer surface to said radially inner surface, and with at least one of said recesses continuing with an axially extending undercut provided in said leg;

(c) an annular sealing body surrounding said leg and being seated thereon; and

(d) a plurality of circumferentially spaced, radially inward-oriented extensions forming part of said annular sealing body and projecting into respective <sup>aid</sup> said recesses provided in said leg for effecting a form-locking connection between said slide ring and said annular sealing body, with at least one of said radially inward-oriented extensions continuing with an axial projection received by said undercut.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) The slide ring seal assembly as defined in claim 1, wherein said leg has, at said free ~~radial~~ axial end, on said radially outer surface, a circumferentially extending enlargement.

4. (Previously Presented) The slide ring seal assembly according to claim 1, wherein said seal ring is generally L-shaped and has a radially extending slide sealing surface.

5. (Previously Presented) The slide ring seal assembly according to claim 4, including a pair of said sealing rings having their respective slide sealing surfaces in contact, and a respective said sealing body for each of said sealing rings.

6. (Previously Presented) The slide ring assembly according to claim 1, wherein said sealing ring is formed of metal and said sealing body is formed of a resilient material.

7. (Previously Presented) The slide ring assembly according to claim 6, wherein said sealing body has a generally trapezoidal cross-section.

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